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REMARKS

This application has been carefully reviewed in light of the Office Action dated July 12, 2006. Claims 16 to 21 remain in the application, with Claims 1, 3, 5, 10, 11, and 15 having been canceled without prejudice, and Claims 16 and 18 to 21 having been amended. Claims 16, 20, and 21 are the independent claims. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 3, 5, 10, 11, and 15 to 21 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 6,980,319 (Ohta) in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,757,070 (Lin). The rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claims 16, 20, and 21 recite, *inter alia*, (i) a list extraction unit adapted to extract (Claim 16) or a list extraction step of extracting (Claims 20 and 21) a printing condition selection list from the recommended printing condition list received by the reception unit, on the basis of the printing condition information acquired by the acquisition unit, in combination with (ii) a generation unit adapted to generate (Claim 16) or a generation step of generating (Claims 20 and 21) print data on the basis of the printing condition selected by the condition selection unit, by using the printer driver program.

Applicant respectfully submits that Ohta and Lin, even in combination, assuming, *arguendo*, that such could be combined, do not disclose or suggest at least the above-discussed combination of features.

Ohta is seen to disclose a remote printing system. Specifically, a print server 13 storing print data sends a print notice signal indicative of a print job to a portable device 11. The portable device 11 then searches for a printer by transmitting a wireless

signal. A printer 12 capable of communicating with the portable device 11 responds to the wireless signal, requests the print data from the print server 13, and prints the print data.

Lin is seen to disclose a Universal Printing System capable of controlling a plurality of printers.

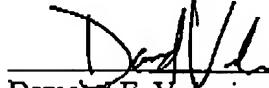
However, nothing in Ohta's remote printing system and Lin's Universal Printing System is seen to provide a description or suggestion of the above-discussed combination of features.

The dependent claims are also submitted to be patentable because they set forth additional aspects of the present invention and are dependent from the independent claims discussed above. Therefore, separate and individual consideration of each dependent claim is respectfully requested.

The application is believed to be in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, California office at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

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